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# RIVERVIEW Neighborhood Association

*April, 1998*

*232 Ogden Avenue - Jersey City, N.J. 07307 - (201) 798-0493*

*RNA IS NOT AFFILIATED WITH ANY POLITICAL PARTY, ORGANIZATION OR ELECTED OFFICIAL*

## 1998 RNA OFFICERS

RNA held the annual election for its executive officers at the end of the March 10th meeting. The following individuals were elected:

**Chair:** Vito Brunetti
**Vice Chair:** Maria Tuzzo
**Treasurer:** Carol Rebelowsi
**Secretary:** Allison Ferrari-Fontana
**Sgt. at Arms:** Gary Kenny.

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RNA would like to say a few words about the outgoing Treasurer **Jack Rea**. During his tenure, Jack was always an effective and dedicated officer, involved in all aspects of RNA. As treasurer, he was a tireless watchdog of our finances. He is also one of our greatest promoters. His participation in RNA should be an inspiration for all residents. However, before anyone assumes that Jack will now retire from community life, let it be known that he will continue to be responsible for the mailing of the monthly newsletter and help to organize the annual flea market and holiday parties. Thank you Mr. Rea for your unselfish participation and we hope to see you at the next meeting.

## MEETING MINUTES: MARCH 10, 1998

**COMMUNITY POLICING**: Jersey City Police **NTF Officers Scott Schnee** and **Lorenzo Tosado** discussed the following topics:

a) Mountain Road: There was a discussion about the recent Mountain Road homicide in which it was announced that the police had arrested the alleged perpetrator. The police confirmed that this road is part of their regular patrol area. It was confirmed that PSE&G finally took responsibility and replaced all the street lights on the Road some of which had been out for over two years.

b) Dangerous Animal: A complaint was made about an unleashed pitbull who attacked another dog in Riverview-Fisk Park. Office Schnee stated tht he would talk to the dog's owner who lives on Bowers Street. If a dog is identified as a dangerous animal, it must be muzzled to

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## APRIL GUEST SPEAKERS

RNA has invited two of our elected officials to the April 14th meeting to discuss recents developments in our local community. **Ward D Councilman Bill Gaughan** will provide updates on the renovation of Mountain Road, the redesign plans for Holland Street, the fire station to be built on Congress Street and the City's proposal for renovating Palisade Avenue.

In addition, **County Freeholder Maurice Fitzgibbons** will discuss the County's plans for renovating the Ogden Avenue overpass at Bowers Street. He will also be asked about the traffic control devices along Patterson Plank Road between the intersections of Palisade Avenue and Congress Street and the plans for the Light Rail station at Second Street in Hoboken located below our community.

Both gentlemen will be available for questions and comments about any issue of concern in our community.

## RNA ANNUAL FLEA MARKET

RNA will hold its 14th annual flea market on **Saturday, June 6th**. On the following page, we have included a vendor's contract and information about this event.

**RNA table to sell donated items:** Please look around your home or apartment for various items that you can donate for sale. All items, including clothing, should be in fairly good condition. Please bring these items to the RNA Table, which will be located north of the park pavilion, the morning of the flea market.

**Coffee and cake table**: All kinds of homemade and store bought goods are needed for our cake sale. These baked products should be brought to the coffee table the morning of the flea market on disposable pans or platesneeds.

**Plant table:** RNA needs donations of plants, flowers and empty pots and containers for their plant sale.

If people have would like to volunteer to help at any of these tables, please fill out the form below and return to **Maria Tuzzo at 170 Ogen Avenue**:

NAME: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

DONATION OR BAKED GOOD : _____

VOLUNTEER ON DAY of EVENT: _____

# THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL RNA FLEA MARKET
# VENDOR CONTRACT

**SPONSOR:** RIVERVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

**DATE:** SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 1998
(RAINDATE: JUNE 13, 1998)

**LOCATION:** RIVERVIEW - FISK PARK
Ogden & Palisade Avenues, between Griffith & Bowers Streets,
JERSEY CITY HEIGHTS

**TIME:** 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (Dealers may arrive anytime after 7:00 AM.)

**RATE:** **$15.00 PER SPACE** when paid in advance.
**$20.00 PER SPACE** if paid on day of event.
(MEMBERS: $10.00 and $15.00 per space accordingly.)

**RULES:**

1) Vendors must supply their own tables and chairs.
2) Position of spaces on day of event will be on a first come, first serve basis.
3) Food can only be sold by authorized food vendors. No vendor will sell anything obscene or illegal. (See registration form below.)
4) **Vendors must clean-up their spaces at the end of the day. Vendors cannot leave unsold or leftover items in the Park.**
5) Vendors will be allowed to unload and load their vehicles at the site, but **auto access to Ogden Avenue will cease at 9:00 AM**.
6) These rules will be strictly enforced by RNA on the day of the event.
7) Reservations must be postmarked no later then June 1, 1997.

**ADVERTISING:** RNA will advertise in the Jersey Journal, the Jersey City Reporter and by posters and flyers.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL: MARIA TUZZO (201) 659-2245.**

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**RIVERVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**
**FOURTEENTH ANNUAL FLEA MARKET**
**REGISTRATION FORM**

DATE: **SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 1998**
TIME: **9 AM TO 4 PM**
PLACE: **RIVERVIEW - FISK PARK**
(RAINDATE: JUNE 13, 1998)

**PLEASE RESERVE:** _____SPACES AT $10.00 or 15.00 per SPACE. (circle one)

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: $_____.**

Name:_____

Address:_____

Telephone No. _____

By participating as a seller in the RNA Flea Market, I agree not to sell any food items, pornographic or obscene material or drug paraphernalia. If I violate this agreement, I will forfeit my right to participate and leave the flea market.

Signature :_____

Make checks payable to RIVERVIEW NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION.
Cut out this application and send to **MARIA TUZZO: 170 Ogden Avenue Jersey City, NJ 07307**

## ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN-UP

RNA will schedule its annual neighborhood clean-up during the first weekend of May. The Incinerator Authority will provide two dumpsters to be located at **Franklin** and **Hobson Streets** between **Palisade and Ogden Avenues** from **May 1 to 3**. They are free to all residents. There are several dumpster rules:

a) only residential garbage,
b) NO CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL,
c) pack dumpster efficiently to maximize space,
d) do not overfill dumpster , and
e) do not leave garbage outside of dumpster.

RNA is looking for volunteers to supervise a cleanup of our two Parks, Janet Moore at Cuneo and Riverview-Fisk at Griffith on Saturday, May 2. Please come to the April meeting to help organize this project. REMEMBER, your neighborhood can only be as clean as you ad your neighbors make it!

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prevent it from harming people or other animals. If anyone is aware of a problem with a local dog, Animal Control or the Police Emergency Squad should be called. Once caught, the animal will be held for seven days and if unclaimed, it will be destroyed.

c) New Walking Patrol: Officer Schnee announced the implementation of a special quality of life post in our neighborhood. The program is funded by a federal grant and provides overtime funds for our local police to cover problem areas. Two uniformed officers will patrol on foot in the following area: Griffith Street and Riverview-Fisk Park on the north to Franklin Street on the south and from Mountain Road on the east to Webster on the west. The police will patrol on a 5-6 hour shift from 5 PM to 11 PM two days a week with the days being rotated on a weekly basis. This program has been rotated through different parts of our City.

The police confirmed that they have been patrolling the unpaved Mountain Road behind Ogden Avenue when a resident complained about unidentified people partying in the area.

d) Auto Break-ins: The recent rash of car break-ins in the Park had subsided. The police attributed that to the recent arrest of several robbery suspects, although there was no identification of a specific perpetrator for these break-ins. A request was made to patrol Holland Street and the abandoned garage areas opening on to Paterson Plank Road below the Park.

A resident commented on the efforts of the police to keep the intersection of Griffith Street and Palisade Avenue quiet and less rowdy.

**NID STATUS REPORT:**

a) NID North 7: NID Manager **Laura Petersen** attended the meeting without her CEO Carol Pasquale. Ms. Pasquale was recently reassigned to cover a vacant district as a a temporary manager.

There were still at least five overhead lights in Riverview-Fisk Park that were not functioning for over one year. Laura stated that since she no longer had access to a PSE&G supervisor, the effort to replace all the lights in the Park for the coming spring and summer was put in doubt. Her ability to check these and other street lights in her district was becoming more limited because of the longer daylight hours. The NID managers only work between 11 AM and 6:30 PM.

The problem is that the NID department does not allow its mangers to work flexible hours or rotating days to accommodate the needs of each particular district. This inflexible schedule also prevents the managers from catching dogwalkers who don't pick-up after their animals in the mornings or evenings. It was recommended that since the NID could not help with this problem, the Division of Animal Control should be notified of the problem.

Laura also announced that NID managers could no longer initiate a work order for tree trimming without a constituent complaint.

Laura also contacted Dr. Martin the prospective owner of 454 Palisade Avenue. The sale of the building had been stalled and the present owner will not effect repairs. Dr. Martin mentioned the possibility of tearing the structure down because it appeared to be structurally unsound. A resident made a complaint that the building which had recently been boarded up by the City was being used by unidentified trespassers, who were gaining access by a rear door.

There was a complaint about people not packing their recycling material properly and loose papers being blown around the neighborhood on Tuesday nights and Wednesday mornings. Papers should be tied up for recycling or placed in JCIA containers. There was a suggestion that the NID managers schedule an early morning tour on Wednesday the recycling day to issue warnings and summons to owners who do not recycle properly.

After during a survey including a vehicle volume count, Traffic Engineering determined that there was no basis to install a stop sign at the corner of Ogden Avenue and Bowers Street. Residents have repeatedly asked the City to install a stop sign to slow down cars traveling through the Park, especially at this corner which is adjacent to the children's playground. A Suggestion was made to appeal to the state Department of Transportation because of the danger of an accident involving children in the Park.

b) NID North 6: NID Manager **Ron Clemente** made a report of his activities in the area.

PSE&G has not completed the repair of all the street lights on the stretch of New York Avenue which winds down the Palisade cliff into Hoboken. There are still sections of the street that are totally dark. The repairmen have made the excuse that they cannot safely access several light poles without the assistance of the police at certain turns in the road.

Both managers agreed to join forces with their respective after-school crews to clean up litter on Palisade Avenue.

[A complete report of Ms. Peterson's and Mr. Clemente's monthly activities are printed in the following article.]

**RNA ELECTIONS:**

At this point, a motion was made to ask all visitors to leave and conduct a closed meeting for members only. The first order of business was to have the annual

election for RNA officers. [The results are reported on the first page of this newsletter.]

Prior to the actual election, a motion was discussed and passed officially delegating specific responsibilities to each of the executives.

The **Vice-chairperson** will be responsible for the organizing of the annual flea market including the mailings, advertising and finances.

The **Secretary** will be responsible for issuing the monthly press releases to announce next month's meeting to the local newspapers and to do all the official correspondence to City officials.

The **Treasurer** will be responsible for making a monthly report of the two RNA accounts to the membership and apply for tax exempt status with the state.

The **Sargent-at-Arms** will be responsible for officially starting each meeting at 7:30 sharp, to enforce the 1/2 hour time limit for each portion of the meeting and to stop any private conversations that interrupt the meeting.

There was a discussion about reinstituting the 10-15 minute coffee break in the middle of each meeting. If that occurred, the Sgt.-at-Arms would be responsible for controlling the break and calling the meeting back to order.

**NID DISCUSSION:**

There was a long discussion about the value of the NID and having their managers come to our monthly meetings.

One resident stated that RNA does not seem to have a good relationship with the present City administration, including the Mayor and Timothy Sheridan of Constituent Services. It was learned that Mr. Sheridan had made a comment about the upcoming elections and the possibility of Vito Brunetti not being the next Chairperson. It appeared to this person that our neighborhood was being punished for demanding too much service from the City, especially from Constituent Services and the NID.

Another resident commented that the NID portion of the meeting just inspired too many complaints and turned the meeting into a gripe session. The mangers should come by our invitation only.

Another person said that if you eliminate the managers from the meetings, it would cut back access to them by the membership.

The managers should still submit progress reports to be published in the newsletter.

What is the value of the NID, if the managers cannot initiate repairs themselves and must have citizens make the complaint?

Another member expressed the opinion that one of our managers had the initiative and the competency to be effective but was stymied by the bureaucracy. The other manager needed to be constantly motivated and pushed to act.

A motion was passed: in the interest of having more effective monthly meetings, the NID managers would be guest speakers by invitation only . They would still be asked to submit monthly status reports.

**Allison Ferrari Fontana, Secretary**

# NID MONTHLY REPORTS

**NORTH SEVEN: Laura Petersen** is the NID manager for this District which includes Ogden and Palisade Avenues from Griffith Street to Congress Street. She provided the following activity report:

a) **"El Especial" Newspaper Boxes**: These boxes containing free newspapers have been placed along Palisade Avenue at the corners of Ravine Avenue, Franklin, Hutton, Griffith and Bowers Streets, as well other locations in the Heights. The first time these boxes appeared, JCDPW dispatched workers who cut the chains securing the boxes to poles and removed them. Unfortunately, the legality of this removal is now in question and the DPW is unwilling to remove the new crop until the matter is resolved. It is currently in the hands of Tom Fodice of the City's Law Department.

b) **Palisade Avenue Firehouse**: During the second week of February, inspections were conducted by the City Engineer Stanley Wong to begin planning demolition of the property at 388 New York Avenue to make way for the new firehouse. Mr Wong said the City also plans to clear 37 Congress Street and 591-599 Palisade Avenue.

Last month, 37 Congress Street was broken into by a homeless person who set up housekeeping inside. This city-owned property consists of one building and four garages. JCDPW's Building and Maintenance came to the site and nailed the door shut until the JCIA arrived to clear the debris. The doors were resecured after the JCIA' visit but have been broken into again. The adjacent garage #3, also shows signs of tampering. The property is being monitored regularly and so far no one has tried to move in.

c) **Holland Street Overpass**: Due to rapid deterioration of its underside, the NID has requested a reinspection of this site. [Freeholder Maurice Fitzgibbons will address the renovation of this site by the County at our April 14th meeting.]

e) **Catchbasin**: The interior cleaning of the catchbasin at Ogden and South Street was completed by the Sewerage Authority on March 2, 1998.

**Laura Petersen** can be contacted by voice mail at **547-4974, extension 8021.**

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**NORTH SIX: Ronald Clemente** is the NID manager for this District which includes Ogden and Palisade Avenues from Cuneo Place to Griffith Street. He provided the following report for this month:

a) **262 Ogden Avenue**: followed up on recycling problem discussed at meeting.

b) **Parking Signs**: Put in work order to correct the no parking and street sweeping signs at the deadend of Ogden and Griffith.

c) **Gridlock signs**: Confirmed installation of "Keep Intersection Clear" signs on both north and southbound lanes of Palisade Avenue at intersection with Woods Place.

d) **Woods Place**: Pre-warning letter to Popular Supermarket about build-up of dog litter on sidewalk area around parking lot.

e) **Ferry Street**: Work order for street sweeper on Ferry between Ogden and Palisade Avenues.

f) **27 Franklin Street**: Work order to remove Bell Atlantic wiring box that is open and exposed.

g) **384 Palisade Avenue**: Pre-warning letter to building owner to board up abandoned building and remove loose cornice. Work order to board up property.

h) **402 Palisade Avenue**: Warned store clerk to remove music speakers in front of store and discontinue playing loud music in the street.

i) **274 Ogden Avenue**: Prewarning letter to owner to properly contain garbage on side of building which is presently blowing in to Park.

j) **372 Palisade Avenue**: Pre-warning letter about electrical box on sidewalk.

k) **107 Mountain Road** (behind 224 Ogden Avenue): Warned owner about municipal violations concerning piles of garage bags, contracting waste material and other debris littering property for several months. Building is being gutted and property is in general disarray.

**Mr. Clemente** can be contacted through his voice mail at **547-4974, extension 8015.**

## CIRCLE OF GREEN

RNA received a check in the amount of $114.00 for its participation in the third annual Circle of Green Art Auction that was held on November 8, 1997 in City Hall. The event was organized to raise money for the participating neighborhood park associations throughout the City. The art auction sold 64 works of art and raised $10,510.00.

The next art auction is planned for November of 1998. For more information, call (201) 433-5127.

## CHRISTMAS IN APRIL

Christmas in April is not a holiday or a weather condition. It is a nationwide volunteer organization that rehabilitates housing for low income, elderly and handicapped people. Its services include building walls, weatherizing homes, repairing leaks, paint, install fencing and new kitchens and beautify homes in any number of ways.

Volunteers can contribute by either sponsoring a house, making a financial contribution or donating supplies and services.

This year, on April 25th, the Jersey City chapter will provide these free services to eligible recipients. If interested in either applying for these services or as a volunteer, please call **(973) 983-4044.**

## 24th ANNUAL JERSEY CITY CULTURAL ARTS FESTIVAL

This year's event will take place on Sunday, June 14, 12 Noon to 6 PM at the Historic C.R.R.N.J. Terminal and Plaza in Liberty State Park. There will be music, dance, arts and crafts and diverse ethnic food selections presented at the festival.To participate in this event, there is a $20.00 application fee for Jersey City residents, and $35.00 for non-residents, food velndors will be $60.00 and additional tables are $10.00. For more information, call **Joey George, the program supervisor at (201) 547-5522.**

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# LETTERS to the EDITOR

[The following is an excerpt of the letter sent to Jersey City officials about RNA's decision to limit participation in the NID program.]

At our March meeting, the RNA, after much discussion, voted to eliminate the NID portion of our monthly meetings. This means that we are asking that our two NID managers, Laura Peterson (North 7) and Ronald Clemente (North 6) attend the monthly meetings by invitation only.

The reason for this decision is that RNA thinks that the NID as an department has not been effective in resolving some of our chronic local problems, such as abandoned buildings, sidewalk and street cleaning, residential garbage storage and disposal, code inspections for multiple unit buildings, street and Park lighting, tree trimming. Each month our two managers inform the membership of the status or lack thereof, in solving these same problems.

A large part of the issue is the municipal bureaucracy that these managers must operate within. When a complaint is made, it seems that the managers must give a pre-warning to the offender. If the problem persists, then there is an official warning given. If the problem has not been rectified, a summons is finally dispensed but only after more than three months have transpired. It also appears that there is not always cooperation between the NID and other City agencies with the result that problems are not handled properly.

It should be made clear that RNA is not giving up on the NID program to solve our problems. But the present situation of discussing these problems at our monthly meetings is not effective. In fact, it is beginning to turn our members off because the same problems are being rehashed each meeting without any hope of resolution in the future.

RNA suggests that the NID managers come to every third meeting to discuss the status of their work with the membership. In the meantime, there will be weekly dialogue between the mangers and the RNA officers to keep each other informed of any developments on existing problems and discussion of new complaints. RNA would also like to continue receiving monthly reports from the two managers to publish in the monthly newsletter.

## RECYCLE YOUR GARBAGE AND DISPOSABLES - IT'S THE LAW!

The following recyclable materials are collected every Wednesday:

**PAPER**: NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, CARDBOARD, GIFT BOXES, JUNK MAIL, SCHOOL PAPER, OFFICE PAPER, COMPUTER PAPER, TELEPHONE BOOKS
**PLASTICS**: SODA BOTTLES, MILK CONTAINERS, WATER CONTAINERS, FOOD BOTTLES
**GLASS**: SODA & BEER BOTTLES, FOOD JARS
**CANS**: ALUMINUM, TIN, STEEL (NO CHEMICAL OR PAINT CANS)

# Bulletin board

## Good Bye Dear Friends

RNA would like to acknowledge the passing of several canine members of our neighborhood. **Muffin** was the gentle loving dog of Madeline and Jack Rea who was adored by everyone who met her.

**Jed** was the everwatchful golden lab that patrolled Vito Brunetti and Edith Springer's front yard and was known to everyone on the block and in the Park. He was an original mascot of RNA participating in the first flea markets and clean-ups in the Park.

Both animals will be missed by their families and the neighborhood will be a lonelier place without them.

### APRIL

Spring is here,
The planting of flowers,
The Tax Man cometh,
Easter Bunnies, chocolates
HAPPY EASTER TO ALL.

**Madeline Rea**

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# From Valerie's Kitchen:

## Pasta with Sausage and Spinach

INGREDIENTS:

- 8 ounces of bowtie pasta or linguine
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- six to eight sausages, sliced 1/2"
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced or squeezed
- several tomatoes diced
- 10 ounces of spinach, rinsed, trimmed and chopped

1) Cook the pasta in a large pot of salted boiling water.
2) Stir oil, sausage, onion and garlic in large skillet over a medium heat until sausages are firm and browned.
3) Add tomatoes to sausages and simmer over low heat.
4) Add 1/2 cup of pasta liquid to the sausages and tomatoes.
5) Cook pasta until al dente, drain and pour pasta over the spinach in a colander.
6) Gently stir the pasta and spinach into the sausage and tomatoes until the spinach wilts.
7) Season with salt,pepper and grated cheese. Serves four persons.

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## CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR NEWSLETTER

Tell us what you think about the quality of life in your neighborhood? Have your voice heard! Deliver all articles and comments in the mailbox, on the gate, at 232 Ogden Ave. Mark the envelope, "RNA NEWSLETTER." Deadline is **Friday, April 24, 1998.**

# POLICEBEAT

Residents should contact their **Neighborhood Task Force Police Officers Scott Schnee and Lorenzo Tosado, David Murawinski** or **Mark Conroy and Keith Armstrong** if they have a problem, a safety concern or knowledge of criminal activity at **547-5350** (the North District station's frontdesk) or **547-5719** (community service number). When leaving a message, include your name, telephone number, street address, the nature of the problem and the date and time of the message.

In addition, anyone with information about illegal drug use and/or drug dealing, should contact the JCPD **Narcotics Unit** at **547-5391**. All calls will be strictly confidential.

**A Community Service Survey** form is reprinted below. The purpose of the form is to alert the police to particular chronic problems in our neighborhood. Please fill the form out and mail it to the North District at 282 Central Avenue. (You can remain anonymous.)

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**JERSEY CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT**
**NORTH DISTRICT**
**282 Central Avenue, Jersey City, 07307**
**547-5350: Front Desk**
**547-5719: Neighborhood Task Force**

**Community Service Survey**

Name:_____
Address:_____
Home Phone:_____
Block Association:_____
Complaint & Observations for the period of_____

List the Locations for the following Problems:

Disorderly Groups:_____
Public Nuisances: _____
Narcotics Activity:_____
Unsafe/Unhealthy Sites: _____
Suspicious Activity:_____
Heavy Trucking: _____
Auto Thefts:_____
Burglaries:_____
Prostitution: _____
Gambling:_____
Other:_____

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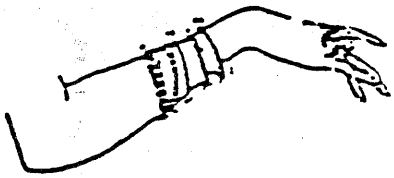

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*Secretary*

Carol Rebelowski
*Treasurer*

Gary Kenny
*Sgt. at Arms*

## COMING EVENTS

**RNA MEETING: Tuesday, April 14th at 7:15 PM**
**LOCATION:** THE HARBOR VIEW HEALTH CARE CENTER

1) **GUEST SPEAKERS:**
   * **Ward D Councilman Bill Gaughan**
   * **County Freeholder Maurice Fitzgibbons**
2) **POLICE NFT REPORT**
3) **DISCUSSION OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**
   * **14th Annual RNA Flea Market**
   * **Community gardens and flower gardens in our Parks**
4) **MAY 1-3: Spring Clean-up and Dumpster Weekend**

COMMUNITY GARDENERS:

Volunteers interested in reserving space in our community gardens in Riverview-Fisk Park or setting up a new garden in Janet Moore Park, should come and sign up at our March meeting.